

BILL NO.

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COUNTY COUNCIL  
OF  
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 00-15 (As Amended)

Introduced by Council President Hirsch at the request of the County Executive

Legislative Day No. 00-10 Date April 4, 2000

AN ACT to repeal and reenact, with amendments, Article II, Fees, of Chapter 157, Licenses and Permits, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to provide for new fees for services rendered by Harford County; and generally relating to permit, license and service fees in Harford County, Maryland.

By the Council, April 4, 2000

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: May 2, 2000

at: 6:30 p.m.

By Order: James E. Massey, Council Administrator

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on May 2, 2000, and concluded on, May 2, 2000

James E. Massey, Council Administrator

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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Brief Title) Licenses and Permits - Fee Schedule

is herewith submitted to the County Council of Harford County for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

ENROLLED

James E. Massey &  
Council Administrator

[Signature]  
President of the Council

Date 5-16-00Date 5/16/00

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed: LSD 00-15 (May 16, 2000) (as amended)

Failed of Passage: \_\_\_\_\_

By Order

James E. Massey &  
Council Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 18th day of May, 2000, at 5:30 p. m.

James E. Massey &  
Council Administrator



BY THE EXECUTIVE

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: Date May 22, 2000

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill (No. 00-15, as amended), having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, becomes law on May 22, 2000.

James E. Massey &  
Council Administrator

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 21, 2000

Section 1. Be It Enacted by the County Council of Harford County, Maryland, that Article II, Fees, of Chapter 157, Licenses and Permits, of the Harford County Code, as amended, be, and it is hereby, repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

**Chapter 157. Licenses and Permits**

**Article II. Fees**

**§ 157-16. Building permits.**

A. Prior to the issuance of any permit or license, the applicant shall pay to the county a fee in accordance with the schedule of fees set forth in the Harford County Code. Fees shall be reasonably calculated to provide, insofar as practicable, sufficient funds to provide for the cost of administering and enforcing the codes and laws of the county.

B. Where no work has been done under a permit issued under this chapter, the holder of the permit may deliver the permit to the Department, and upon cancellation thereof shall be refunded 50% of the fee paid therefor, provided that application for the refund is made within 6 months of the issuance of the permit.

C. When a permit is disapproved or withdrawn, the applicant shall be refunded 50% of the fee paid.

D. The following fees shall be charged for building permits. All fees apply to each unit. However, square foot costs include those usable portions of a structure that are enclosed, including basements or cellars. Attics and top-half storage, where the ceiling is less than 7 1/3 feet (88 inches), are excluded.

**New Construction,**

**Type of Building**

**Additions, Alterations**

**SINGLE OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS – NEW CONSTRUCTION**

**GROUP A (A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5) --**

**\$0.09 PER SQ. FT., MINIMUM \$150, PLUS**

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1	ASSEMBLY BUILDINGS (CHURCH,	\$10 FOR U&O
2	SCHOOL, THEATER, LECTURE HALL,	
3	RESTAURANT, NIGHTCLUB,	
4	EXHIBITION HALL, TERMINAL,	
5	RECREATION CENTER, GYMNASIUM,	
6	PHYSICAL FITNESS CENTER, LIBRARY)	
7	[Churches	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
8	Schools	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
9	Theater	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
10	Lecture hall	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
11	Restaurant	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
12	Nightclub	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
13	Exhibition hall	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
14	Terminals	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
15	Recreation center	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
16	Gymnasium, physical fitness centers	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O
17	Library	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 U&O]
18	GROUP B -- BUSINESS	
19	[Shell permit] ALL	[\$0.06] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [\$100] \$150,
20		plus [\$5] \$10 for U&O if only one tenant
21	[Separate tenant	\$0.06 per sq. ft, minimum \$100, plus \$5 for
22		U&O if only one tenant
23	Occupancy permits without	\$50 each tenant
24	building modifications	

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1	Tenant occupancy permits	\$0.06/sq. ft of renovated area, minimum \$50
2	w/building modifications]	
3	GROUP F -- FACTORY AND INDUSTRIAL	
4	[Shell permit] ALL	[\$0.06] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [\$100] \$150,
5		plus [\$5] \$10 for U&O
6	GROUP H -- HIGH HAZARD USES	
7	All	[\$0.08] \$0.12 per sq. ft., minimum [\$150] \$225,
8		PLUS \$10 FOR U&O
9	GROUP I (I-1, I-2, I-3) -- INSTITUTIONAL	
10	All	[\$0.06] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [\$100] \$150,
11		plus [\$5] \$10 for U&O
12	GROUP M -- MERCANTILE	
13	[Shell permit] ALL	[\$0.06] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [\$100] \$150,
14		plus [\$5] \$10 for U&O
15	[Tenant occupancy permit without	\$50 each tenant
16	building modifications	
17	Tenant occupancy permit with	\$0.06 per sq. ft of renovated area, minimum \$50
18	building modifications]	
19	GROUP R (R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4) --	
20	RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS	
21	1- and 2-family dwelling[s] (R-3, R-4)	[\$0.04] \$0.06 per sq. ft., minimum [\$50] \$75,
22		plus [\$5] \$10 for U&O
23	Hotel building[s] (R-1)	[\$0.04] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [\$100] \$150,
24		plus [\$5] \$10 for U&O

1	Dormitory building[s] AND ASSISTED	[ \$0.04] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [ \$100] \$150,
2	LIVING FACILITY (R-2)	plus [ \$5] \$10 for U&O
3	Multi-family (apartments AND	[ \$55 per unit (includes U&O)] \$0.08 PER SQ.
4	CONDOMINIUMS) (R-2)	FT., PLUS \$10 FOR SHELL U&O, \$10 U&O
5		FOR EACH DWELLING UNIT
6	Mobile home[s]	
7	Without basement[s]	\$50 single wide on private lot, plus [ \$5] \$10 for
8		U&O
9		\$70 double wide on private lot, plus [ \$5] \$10
10		for U&O
11		\$45 single wide in park, plus [ \$5] \$10 for U&O
12		\$65 double wide in park, plus [ \$5] \$10 for U&O
13	With basement[s]	\$80 single wide, plus [ \$5] \$10 for U&O
14		\$135 double wide, plus [ \$5] \$10 for U&O
15	Addition[s]	[ \$0.04] \$0.05 per sq. ft., minimum [ \$50] \$65,
16		plus [ \$5] \$10 for U&O
17	Residential accessory building[s]	\$0.04 per sq. ft. minimum \$18]
18	OVER 120 SQ. FT.	\$0.05 PER SQ. FT., MINIMUM \$25, PLUS
19		\$10 FOR U&O
20	UNDER 120 SQ. FT.	\$20 (NO U&O OR INSPECTIONS
21		REQUIRED)
22	Residential deck[s], porch[es] or	[ \$0.04] \$0.05 per sq. ft., minimum [ \$25] \$30,
23	balcon[ies]Y, attached or detached	[ \$5 for] PLUS \$10 U&O [if requested]
24	GROUP S (S-1, S-[3]2) -- STORAGE	

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1	BUILDINGS	
2	All	[ <del>\$0.06</del> ] \$0.09 per sq. ft., minimum [ <del>\$100</del> ] \$150,
3		plus [ <del>\$5</del> ] \$10 for U&O
4	EXISTING BUILDING (OTHER THAN	
5	USE GROUP R-4)	
6	TENANT OCCUPANCY PERMIT	
7	WITH MODIFICATIONS	FEE SAME AS REQUIRED FOR USE
8		GROUP IN NEW CONSTRUCTION,
9		MINIMUM \$75, PLUS \$10 FOR U&O
10	WITHOUT MODIFICATIONS	\$75, PLUS \$10 FOR U&O
11	MULTIPLE TENANT BUILDING OTHER	
12	THAN R-1, R-2, R-3 OR R-4 RESIDENTIAL	
13	(NEW OR RENOVATION)	
14	SHELL BUILDING PERMIT (PERMIT	\$0.09 PER SQ. FT., MINIMUM \$150, PLUS
15	DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY TENANT)	\$10 FOR U&O
16	TENANT PERMIT WITH MODIFICATIONS	\$0.09 PER SQ. FT., MINIMUM \$75, PLUS
17		\$10 FOR U&O
18	TENANT PERMIT WITHOUT	\$75 FOR EACH TENANT, PLUS \$10 FOR
19	MODIFICATIONS	U&O
20	GROUP U -- MISCELLANEOUS	
21	Boat pier[s]	[ <del>\$30</del> ] \$35
22	Bulkhead[s]	[ <del>\$30</del> ] \$35, per 100 ft.
23	Fence[s]	[ <del>\$18</del> ] \$20 plus [ <del>\$0.02</del> ] \$0.04 per foot over 250
24		ft.

1	Marina[s]	[15] \$20 per slip, [0.06] \$0.09 per sq. f[oo]t.,
2		minimum [100] \$150
3	Retaining wall[s]	[22] \$30
4	Tank[s], above-ground or underground	[35] \$40
5	Demolition without a separate permit,	[50] \$75
6	except that no fee shall be required;	
7	demolition is performed as a training	
8	exercise by a fire company located in	
9	Harford County	
10	Relocation[s]	
11	Without alterations	\$50
12	With alterations	\$0.04 per sq. ft., minimum \$50
13	Mobile home park	
14	To establish a park	[300] \$500
15	Each space	[45] \$50
16	Each permanent service building	[0.04 per sq. ft, minimum \$100] FEE SAME
17		AS REQUIRED FOR USE GROUP IN NEW
18		CONSTRUCTION
19	Signs	
20	Billboard	[60] \$65 over 300 sq. ft.
21	Marquee sign	[20] \$25
22	Roof sign	[40] \$45
23	Freestanding sign	[35] \$40
24	Face sign	[25] \$30 on structure



1	TEMPORARY PORTABLE SIGN	\$40
2	Swimming pool[s]	
3	Residential	[\$35] \$40 above-ground
4		[\$50] \$75 in-ground
5	Swimming pool[s] (club, public or private)	[\$100] \$125
6	Utilities, public or private, each structure	\$20
7	(tower, transformer, pole[s], etc.)	
8	Occupiable structure[s]	[\$0.04] \$0.05 per sq. ft., minimum [\$60] \$65,
9		PLUS \$10 FOR U&O
10	[Separate action for existing structures	\$60]
11	REISSUE EXPIRED PERMIT, WITH	\$60 OR COST OF ORIGINAL PERMIT,
12	DEPARTMENT APPROVAL	WHICHEVER IS LESS
13	Preliminary plan review except	[\$30 per ½ hour] \$60 PER HOUR
14	1- and 2-family construction	
15	Reinspection or unnecessary trip	[\$25] \$50
16	Reinspection fee, upon receipt of	[\$25] \$50
17	Type I U&O	
18	[Investigating fee, stop work; working	\$100 first occurrence
19	without a valid permit or license (fee in	\$200 second occurrence
20	addition to regular permit and license fees)	\$300 third occurrence]
21	INVESTIGATION FEE (IN ADDITION	\$100
22	TO REGULAR PERMIT AND LICENSE	
23	FEES)	
24	WRITTEN NOTICE OF VIOLATION,	<del>\$500</del> <u>\$250</u> FIRST OCCURRENCE

WORKING WITHOUT A VALID ~~\$600~~ \$300 SECOND OCCURRENCE  
 LICENSE OR PERMIT, ISSUANCE ~~\$700~~ \$350 SUBSEQUENT OCCURRENCE

OF A STOP WORK ORDER, IN (WITH ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING)

ADDITION TO REGULAR FEE

Penalty charged for proceeding without \$50

the prior inspection

Hourly rate [\$30] \$60 per hour

Replacement of U&O [\$5] \$10

**§ 157-17. Plumbing permits.**

The following fees shall be charged for plumbing permits:

A. Permit for new installation:

(1) First fixture: [\$20] \$30

(2) Each additional fixture: [\$3] \$5

B. Reconstruction or addition to existing plumbing:

(1) First fixture: [\$20] \$30

(2) Each additional fixture: [\$3] \$5

C. Business, commercial and industrial, new:

(1) First fixture: [\$40] \$80

(2) Each additional fixture: [\$3] \$5

D. [Swimming pools:

(1) Private: \$25

(2) Public or club: \$30] BACKFLOW PREVENTOR (EACH): \$100

E. Sand trap[s], filter[s] or water conditioner[s]: [\$20] \$50

F. Interceptor[s], oil or grease: [\$20] \$50

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- 1 G. Sewer ejector[s] only: [\$20] \$50
- 2 H. Sewer and water - RESIDENTIAL:
- 3 (1) Sewer connection: [\$20] \$30
- 4 (2) Water service connection: [\$20] \$30
- 5 (3) Sewer and water combined: [\$40] \$60
- 6 (4) Abandon sewer line: [\$20] \$30
- 7 (5) Abandon water service: [\$20] \$30
- 8 I. Sump pump: [\$7] \$15
- 9 J. ONSITE UTILITIES:
- 10 (1) Storm sewer: [\$40] \$90
- 11 (2) WATER: \$90
- 12 (3) SEWER: \$90
- 13 K. Gas:
- 14 (1) First fixture, 2" or smaller [\$20] \$40
- 15 Each fixture thereafter [\$3] \$5
- 16 (2) First fixture, over 2" and under 3" [\$30] \$60
- 17 Each fixture thereafter [\$3] \$5
- 18 (3) First fixture, 3" and under 6" [\$40] \$80
- 19 Each fixture thereafter [\$3] \$5
- 20 (4) First fixture, 6" and over [\$85] \$200
- 21 Each fixture thereafter [\$3] \$5
- 22 L. Water-cooled air conditioner: [fifteen dollars] \$15
- 23 M. Solar installation: [twenty dollars \$20] \$30
- 24 N. Private water system (wells): [\$15] \$30

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1 O. Reinspection or unnecessary trips: [~~\$25~~] \$50  
2 [P. Stop-work order, investigation, working without a valid license or permit:]  
3 P. INVESTIGATION FEE (IN ADDITION TO REGULAR PERMIT AND LICENSE  
4 FEES): \$100

5 Q. WRITTEN NOTICE OF VIOLATION, WORKING WITHOUT A VALID  
6 LICENSE OR PERMIT, ISSUANCE OF A STOP WORK ORDER, IN ADDITION TO REGULAR  
7 FEE:

8 (1) First [offense] OCCURRENCE: [~~\$100~~] ~~\$500~~ \$250  
9 (2) Second [offense] OCCURRENCE: [~~\$200~~] ~~\$600~~ \$300  
10 (3) Subsequent [offenses] OCCURRENCE (with administrative hearing): [~~\$300~~]  
11 ~~\$700~~ \$350

12 [Q.]R. Emergency post card permit: [~~\$15~~] \$25

13 [R.]S. Fee for fixtures installed but not listed on permit:

14 (1) First fixture: [~~\$20~~] \$30  
15 (2) Each fixture thereafter: [~~\$3~~] \$5

16 [S.]T. Plan review -- to be added to permit fee: [~~\$30/hr~~] \$60

17 [T.]U. Hourly rate: [~~\$30~~] \$60

18 **§ 157-18. Sanitation construction permits.**

19 A. The following fees shall be charged for sanitation construction permits:

20 (1) Soil percolation test, per lot: [~~\$75~~] \$150  
21 (2) SOIL EVALUATION (I&A): \$200

22 [(2)] (3) Private sewage disposal system:

23 (a) New system fees:

24 [1] Sanitation construction permit fee: [~~\$135~~] \$160

[2] Sanitary disposal fee: [\$165] \$190

(b) Sanitation construction fee for correction to existing system: \$50

B. The following fees are for health inspections and permits in related field work:

(1) Well sampling: [\$20] \$30

(2) Mobile home park inspection prior to transfer of ownership: \$100

(3) Well permit fee: \$80

(4) Inspection of private sewage disposal systems and wells prior to the transfer of property: \$25

**§ 157-19. Utility and public works permits.**

A. Cable television: \$50

B. Telephone lines: \$50

C. Gas and electric: \$50

D. Driveway permits:

(1) Site inspection: \$25

(2) Desk review: \$10

**§ 157-20. Electrical inspections.**

The following fees shall be charged for electrical inspections:

A. Flat rates

(1) Single- and two-family dwellings (includes all wiring, equipment, and appliances within the structure):

(a) 100 amp and under [\$40] \$60

(b) Over 100 amp up to 200 amp [\$55] \$75

(c) Over 200 amp up to 400 amp [\$65] \$85

(d) Over 400 amp up to 600 amp [\$75] \$90

- (e) Over 600 amp up to 800 amp [~~\$90~~] \$110
- (f) Over 800 amp up to 1000 amp [~~\$105~~] \$125

- (2) Townhouse: same rate as a single-family dwelling.
- (3) Condominium: same rate as a single-family dwelling.
- (4) Apartments, per unit (fee applies when 3 or more can be made in 1 visit):

~~[\$40]~~ \$50

- (5) Retrofit: same as addition

B. Manufactured housing.

- (1) Mobile homes not over 200 amp service:

- (a) Service only [~~\$20~~] \$50

- (b) Feeder or power cord (if home has basement, [use] residential flat rate

APPLIES) [~~\$20~~] \$30

- (2) Manufactured module not over 200 amp service:

- (a) With crawl space [~~\$30~~] \$40

- (b) With basement wiring [~~\$40~~] \$50

C. Service entrance and feeders only:

- (1) 200 amp and under [~~\$20~~] \$40
- (2) Over 200 amp and up to 400 amp [~~\$25~~] \$55
- (3) Over 400 amp and up to 600 amp [~~\$30~~] \$65
- (4) Over 600 amp and up to 800 amp [~~\$40~~] \$75
- (5) Over 800 amp and up to 1,000 amp [~~\$60~~] \$80
- (6) Over 1,000 amp and up to 1,200 amp \$100
- (7) Over 1,200 amp and up to 2,000 amp \$175
- (8) Over 2,000 amp and up to 3,000 amp \$300

D. Service for temporary wiring (for not more than 90 calendar days). **AS AMENDED**

(1) 60 amp service with up to 20 outlets [\$20] \$40

(2) 100 amp service with up to 30 outlets [\$30] \$50

(3) 200 amp service with up to 50 outlets [\$40] \$60

(4) Larger installations: [use] service and outlet fee APPLIES.

E. Minor alterations and additions.

(1) Not over 20 outlets with service not over 200 amp [\$35] \$45

(2) Not over 50 outlets with service not over 200 amp [\$40] \$50

(3) WATER HEATER, DRYER RECEPTACLE, ONE TRIP \$30

F. Rough wiring or fixture outlets.

(1) First 20 outlets [\$15] \$25

(2) Next 40 outlets [\$10] \$15

(3) Each additional 50 outlets \$10

G. Swimming pool, spa, hot tub.

(1) Circulating pump, fixtures, and receptacles [\$30] \$50

(2) Bonding only [\$15] \$30 PER TRIP

(3) WIRING ONLY – \$30 PER TRIP

H. Area lighting, isolated pole.

(1) First unit: [\$12] \$15

(2) Each additional pole: \$5

I. Electric signs.

(1) Branch circuit, maximum 2,000 VA [\$15] \$20

(2) Branch circuit, maximum 7,000 VA [\$20] \$25

J. Transformers and generators.

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- (1) 30 KVA or less \$15
- (2) Over 30 KVA and up to 100 KVA \$20
- (3) Over 100 KVA and up to 500 KVA \$35
- (4) Over 500 KVA \$40

K. Motors and heaters (assume 1 KW equals 1 H.P.)

- (1) Not more than 1/8 H.P. [use] fixture schedule APPLIES
- (2) 1/8 H.P. or more but less than [1/4] 2 H.P. [\$4] \$10
- (3) [1/4] 2 H.P. or more but less than [5] 30 H.P. [\$8] \$15
- [(4)] 5 H.P. or more but less than 30 H.P. \$12]
- [(5)] (4) 30 H.P. or more but less than 75 H.P. [\$15] \$20
- [(6)] (5) 75 H.P. and over [\$20] \$30
- [(7)] (6) Motor control center [\$10] \$20

When the fees exceed \$200 and the inspections can be completed in a reasonable time, the contractor may apply for a 20% reduction for all motor fees over \$200.

L. Transformers, vaults or substations

- (1) Not over 200 KVA \$35
- (2) 200 to 500 KVA \$50
- (3) 500 KVA and over \$75

M. Air conditioners and heat pumps.

- (1) 40 amp [\$15] \$20
- (2) 50 amp [\$20] \$25
- (3) 100 amp [\$25] \$30
- (4) 200 amp \$40

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- 1 (5) 400 amp and over \$50
- 2 N. Fire or security signaling systems.
- 3 (1) Control panel, each: [\$15] \$25
- 4 (2) First 20 devices: \$10
- 5 (3) Each additional forty 40 devices: \$10
- 6 O. Assumption agreement: original fee.
- 7 P. Hourly rate: [(One-half-hour increments may be used after the first hour.) \$30] \$60
- 8 Q. Minimum fee, wiring systems over 60 volts: [\$15] \$25
- 9 R. Reinspection, each: [\$25] \$50
- 10 [S. Stop-work order, investigation, working without a valid license or permit, in addition
- 11 to regular fee:]
- 12 S. INVESTIGATION FEE (IN ADDITION TO REGULAR PERMIT AND LICENSE
- 13 FEES): \$100
- 14 T. WRITTEN NOTICE OF VIOLATION, WORKING WITHOUT A VALID
- 15 LICENSE OR PERMIT, ISSUANCE OF A STOP WORK ORDER, IN ADDITION TO REGULAR
- 16 FEE:
- 17 (1) First occurrence [\$100] ~~\$500~~ \$250
- 18 (2) Second occurrence [\$200] ~~\$600~~ \$300
- 19 (3) Subsequent occurrence (WITH ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING) [\$300]
- 20 ~~\$700~~ \$350
- 21 [(If after 3 years from the most recent occurrence there is no subsequent occurrence, the applicant's
- 22 record is cleared.)]
- 23 [T.]U. Commercial and industrial flat rate.
- 24 (1) 200 amp available tenant space, maximum 20 outlets with heating equipment

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1 [\$70] \$100

2 (2) 400) amp available tenant space, maximum 20 outlets with heating equipment

3 [\$90] \$125

4 [U.]V. Commercial and industrial flat rate -- includes all wiring, equipment and appliances  
5 within the structure:

6 (1) Not over 100 amp service [\$125] \$150

7 (2) Not over 200 amp service [\$155] \$190

8 (3) Not over 300 amp service [\$170] \$205

9 (4) Not over 400 amp service [\$190] \$230

10 (5) For service equipment over 400 amperes, the fee is [\$190] \$230 plus 50 cents  
11 for each ampere in excess of 400 amperes.

12 [V.]W. Ditches, EACH INSPECTION [\$15] \$20

13 [W.]X. Plans review, per hour [\$30] \$60

14 Y. EMERGENCY POST CARD PERMIT \$25

15 **§ 157-21. Grading and erosion control permits.**

16 A. Except as provided for in Subsection C herein a per-hour charge shall be applied for  
17 the Department of Public Works staff time spent on the technical and engineering review of plats,  
18 concept plans, preliminary plans, site plans and sediment control plans, for review for extensions of  
19 erosion and sediment permits, for inspections of sediment and control practices, and the time spent  
20 for the enforcement of rules and regulations. The rate shall be \$35.00 per hour for inspections and  
21 enforcement and \$35.00 per hour for all hours beyond 40 hours per week. The rate shall be \$38.00  
22 per hour for engineering and technical review and an additional \$8.00 per hour charge will be  
23 charged for all hours beyond forty 40 hours per week for the engineering and technical review.  
24 Charges shall be made at no less than 15 minute intervals. Grading and erosion control permits shall

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be issued, as long as accounts are not in arrears for more than 45 calendar days. The owner/applicant shall be billed monthly with the invoice reflecting a break-down between engineering and inspection hours charged.

B. Forest harvest permit.

Acres of Harvest Area	Fees for Permit
0 to 5	\$25
6 and above	\$50

C. Exemption of grading permits and standard plan permits. A flat fee of \$100 shall be charged for plan review and for all necessary inspections related to the exemption of grading permit and standard plan permit as provided in Chapter 214 of the Harford County Code, as amended. The fee shall accompany the application and request. If the proposed construction activity does not qualify for the exemption of grading permit and standard plan permit, the \$100.00 fee provided for herein shall be applied to the fee charged in Subsection A. In the event that no disturbance occurs pursuant to the permit, upon the written request of the applicant a refund of 50% shall be provided.

**§ 157-22. Stormwater management permit.**

A per-hour charge shall be applied for the Department of Public Works staff time spent on the technical and engineering review of plats, concept plans, preliminary plans, site plans and stormwater management plans, for review of stormwater management computations associated with application for a waiver of stormwater management requirements, for inspection of stormwater management facilities, and the time spent for the enforcement of rules and regulations. The rate shall be \$35.00 per hour for inspections and enforcement and \$35.00 per hour for all hours beyond 40 hours per week. The rate shall be \$38.00 per hour for engineering and technical review and an additional \$8.00 per hour charge will be charged for all hours beyond 40 hours per week for the engineering and technical review. Charges shall be made at no less than 15 minute intervals.

Stormwater management permits shall be issued, as long as accounts are not in arrears for more than 45 calendar days. The owner/applicant shall be billed monthly with the invoice reflecting a breakdown between engineering and inspection hours charged.

**§ 157-23. Special sewer use fees.**

As authorized by Chapter 256, Article VIII, of this Code, the following charges and fees are charged by the county for the purposes delineated:

A. Annual industrial waste discharge permit fee:

- (1) Category A: \$250
- (2) Category B: \$500
- (3) C categories.
  - (a) Category C: \$1,000
  - (b) Category C-C: \$1,500
  - (4) Category D: \$100

B. Annual septage hauler fee: \$325

C. Annual industrial user/commercial user fee for treatment of BOD (TA): \$36.77 per 1,000 pounds

D. Annual industrial user/commercial user fee for treatment of suspended solids (TB): \$77.50 per 1,000 pounds

E. Annual industrial user/commercial user fee for treatment of phosphorus (TC): \$476.87 per 1,000 pounds

F. Annual industrial user/commercial user fee for treatment of flow (TD): \$132.37 per 1,000 gallons

G. Annual septage user charge: \$12.27 per 1,000 gallons for septic discharged during calendar year 1996. The fee for septic discharged during calendar year 1997 and thereafter shall be

1 \$14.24 per 1,000 gallons.

2 **§ 157-24. License fees.**

3 The following annual fees shall be charged for the specified licenses:

4 A. Electrician.

5 (1) Apprentice registration: \$5

6 (2) License fees and renewals:

7 (a) Master electrician: \$45

8 (b) Journeyman electrician: \$15

9 (c) Limited electrician: \$35

10 (d) Restricted electrician: \$35

11 (e) Examination for any license: \$30

12 (f) Special examination (conducted at other than regularly specified  
13 times), in addition to regular fee: \$50

14 (g) Restoration fee \$20

15 (h) Inactive master or limited \$30

16 (i) Change of license information \$20

17 B. Plumbers.

18 (1) Master plumber: \$45

19 (2) Journeyman plumber: \$15

20 (3) Master gas fitter: \$45

21 (4) Journeyman gas fitter: \$15

22 (5) LP gas fitter \$35

23 (6) Fee for testing exams \$25

24 C. Licenses.

- (1) Licenses of operators.
- (a) Refuse and septic truck, each: \$50
  - (b) Solicitor: \$15
  - (c) Auctioneer.
    - [1] County resident \$50
    - [2] Non-county resident \$100
  - (d) Itinerant dealer \$40
  - (e) Pawnbroker \$100
  - (f)
    - [1] Taxicab driver's permit \$25
    - [2] Taxicab owner's license \$50
    - [3] Owner-operator permit \$35
    - [4] Replacement for lost or destroyed permit \$5
    - [5] Medallion \$5.
  - (g) Mobile home park licenses.
    - [1] For each 10 units or fraction thereof: \$60
    - [2] Excise tax, each unit, per month: [\$10] ~~\$15~~ \$10
  - (h) Pet shop: \$100
  - (i) Pet shop and grooming: \$150
  - (j) Grooming business: \$100
  - (k) Kennel.
    - [1] 6 through 9 dogs: \$100
    - [2] 10 through 25 dogs: \$150
    - [3] Over 25 dogs: \$200

(2) Dog licenses.

(a) Annual fees.

[1] Sterilized dogs: [\$5] \$8

[2] Unsterilized dogs: [\$10] \$15

[3] Senior citizens over 60 years of age, on the tag fees only, shall

pay:

[a] For sterilized dogs: [\$3] \$5

[b] For unsterilized dogs: [\$5] \$8

(b) Replacement of lost tags: \$2

(c) Dog licenses purchased after 45 calendar days from due date will be charged a late fee: \$3

D. Miscellaneous photographs for licenses: \$3

**§ 157-25. Zoning fees.**

(Note: Fees for Subsections A, B and C below shall not exceed \$5,000 in combination, if applied as 1 case, or in any 1 category, if applied separately. For a multiple request, the publication and posting fee shall be paid, plus the filing fee for each individual request.)

A. Appeal cases:

(1) Publication and posting fee (all applications, including amended applications, except minor area variance): \$200

(2) Filing fee:

(a) Variance from design requirements [\$200] \$250

(b) Minor variances from design requirements (less than 20% of area affected): \$50

(c) Interpretation or appeal of a decision of the Zoning Administrator:

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1    [\$150] \$200

2                   (d)    Expansion of nonconforming use and variance: [\$200] \$250

3                   (e)    Variances from other requirements of the Zoning Code and  
4   modification of previous approvals by the Board of Appeals: [\$200] \$250

5           B.     Special review cases (developments or projects requiring Board approval, i.e.,  
6   special exception or special development):

7                   (1)    Publication and posting fee: \$200

8                   (2)    Filing fee, residential projects: per application [\$500] \$550 plus \$5 per  
9   dwelling unit

10                  (3)    Integrated community shopping center: [\$500] \$600 plus \$50 per acre

11                  (4)    Miscellaneous special exceptions or special developments (not otherwise  
12   defined): [\$150] \$200

13                  (5)    Cottage housing and day care centers: [\$60] \$100

14           C.     Zoning certificates:

15                   (1)    Untagged vehicle: [\$25] \$35

16                   (2)    Temporary use: [\$40] \$50

17                   (3)    All others: [\$40] \$50

18           D.     Zoning reclassification cases:

19                   (1)    Publication and posting fee (all applications): \$200

20                   (2)    Filing fee: [\$500] \$600 plus \$10 per acre for each acre over 20 acres.

21           E.     Forest stand delineation review: \$100 plus \$10 per acre.

22           F.     Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Program amendments to management area  
23   boundaries: \$500 plus \$15 per acre.

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G. Concept plan review (under special development regulation) \$1,000 plus \$20 per gross acre.

H. Forest Conservation Plan review \$200 for all plans plus \$20 per gross acre for plans greater than 5 lots.

**§ 157-26. Subdivision and site plan review fees.**

Type of Subdivision	Subdivision Fee	Revision Fee
Residential lots (including mobile homes)	[\$75.00] \$100.00 filing fee, plus [\$45.00] \$50.00 per lot	\$30.00 filing fee, plus \$10.00 per lot
Multifamily and mobile home park	[\$75.00] \$100.00 filing fee, plus [\$25.00] \$30.00 per unit	\$30.00 filing fee, plus \$10.00 per unit
Commercial (subdivision or individual site plan)	[\$150.00] \$200.00 filing fee, plus [\$45.00] \$50.00 per acre	\$75.00 filing fee, plus \$10.00 per acre
Industrial (subdivision or individual site plan)	[\$150.00] \$200.00 filing fee, plus [\$45.00] \$50.00 per acre	\$75.00 filing fee, plus \$10.00 per acre
Extensions of preliminary plans for developments of:		
More than 5 lots		\$100.00
1 to 5 lots		\$25.00

1 Final plats

[\$100.00] \$150.00 per

2 plat, plus \$10.00 per

3 lot

4 **§ 157-27. Food service facility fees.**

5 A. The following food service facility categories are established for the purpose of  
6 annual license fees[:]. FACILITIES WHICH MEET THE CRITERIA FOR MORE THAN ONE  
7 GROUP DESIGNATION WILL BE ASSESSED THE HIGHER OF THE FEES.

8 (1) Group I:

9 (a) [Restaurants] FACILITIES which seat 60 or more individuals;

10 (b) Retail markets with 2 or more of the following:

11 [1] A delicatessen;

12 [2] A bakery;

13 [3] A meat section; and

14 [4] A fresh seafood section; AND

15 (c) Other facilities which serve 2 or more meals a day.; and

16 (d) Commissaries which process food;]

17 (2) Group II:

18 (a) [Restaurants] FACILITIES which seat less than 60 individuals;

19 (b) [Restaurants] FACILITIES which serve carry-out food only;

20 (c) Grocery and convenience stores not in group I;

21 (d) Other facilities which serve less than 2 meals per day;

22 (e) Mobile facilities that operate more than [130] 180 calendar days in

23 a calendar year; and

(f) [Commissary facilities that prepare only prewrapped and prepackaged food;] FACILITIES WHICH MAINTAIN VENDING MACHINES THAT VEND OPEN OR HAZARDOUS FOODS/BEVERAGES AT MORE THAN ONE SITE WITHIN THE FACILITY.

(3) Group III:

(a) Mobile facilities that operate [130] 180 calendar days or less in a calendar year; [and]

(b) Seasonal facilities; AND

(c) FACILITIES WHICH MAINTAIN VENDING MACHINES THAT VEND OPEN OR HAZARDOUS FOODS/BEVERAGES AT A SINGLE SITE WITHIN THE FACILITY.

(4) Group IV:

(a) Facilities which serve only BEVERAGES AND prepackaged snacks [and beverages;] and/OR MANUFACTURE ICE;

(b) Temporary facilities operating for 1 day or 1 event. [; and]

(5) Group V:

(a) Churches;

(b) Volunteer organizations; and

(c) Non-profit organizations.

(6) GROUP VI: FACILITIES WHICH SEAT 60 OR MORE INDIVIDUALS AND ENGAGE IN OFF-PREMISE CATERING.

(7) GROUP VII: FACILITIES WHICH SEAT LESS THAN 60 INDIVIDUALS AND ENGAGE IN OFF-PREMISE CATERING.

B. The annual license fees for food service facilities are as follows: **AS AMENDED**

- (1) Group I - [~~\$120~~] \$150;
- (2) Group II - [~~\$80~~] \$100;
- (3) Group III - [~~\$40~~] \$50;
- (4) Group IV - [~~\$20~~; and] \$25;
- (5) Group V - exempt from license fee[.];
- (6) GROUP VI - \$220; AND
- (7) GROUP VII - ~~\$100~~ \$170.

C. The Health Department may charge the following fees for services related to food service facilities:

- (1) Plan review for a new food service facility:
  - (a) Group I - [~~\$150~~] \$200;
  - (b) Group II - [~~\$100~~] \$150;
  - (c) Group III - [~~\$75~~] \$100;
  - (d) Group IV - not applicable; [and]
  - (e) Group V - exempt;
  - (f) GROUP VI - ~~\$150~~ \$200; AND
  - (g) GROUP VII - ~~\$100~~ \$150.
- (2) Plan review for renovation of or addition to an existing food service facility:
  - (a) Group I - \$100;
  - (b) Group II - \$75;
  - (c) Group III - \$50;
  - (d) Group IV - not applicable; [and]

(e) Group V - exempt; [and]

(f) GROUP VI - \$100; AND

(g) GROUP VII - \$75.

(3) Change of ownership inspection:

(a) Group I - [\$75] \$100;

(b) Group II - [\$50] \$75;

(c) Group III - [\$25] \$50;

(d) Group IV - not applicable; [and]

(e) Group V - exempt[.];

(f) GROUP VI - \$100; AND

(g) GROUP VII - \$75.

**§ 157-28. Fees for deposit of solid waste at a county disposal facility.**

**A. Definitions.**

**COUNTY DISPOSAL FACILITY** -- County disposal facility shall be defined as that term is defined in § 109-1 of the Harford County Code.

**LARGE CLOSED VAN** -- Any van that has a load rating of three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of a ton or greater.

**LARGE PICK-UP TRUCK** -- Any pick-up truck that has a loadbed of three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of a ton or greater.

**MULTIPURPOSE PASSENGER VEHICLE** - Any motor vehicle that:

(1) Is designed primarily for carrying persons and which is constructed on a truck chassis or with special features for occasional off-road operations; or

(2) Is registered as a Class M vehicle by the Motor Vehicle Administration.

1 SMALL CLOSED VAN -- Any van or panel truck which is not registered as a Class M  
2 vehicle by the Motor Vehicle Administration and typically does not have side windows and is not  
3 a passenger vehicle with seats behind the driver that has two (2) axles and a load rating of less than  
4 three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of a ton.

5 SMALL PICK-UP TRUCK -- Any pick-up truck that has a loadbed rated under three-  
6 quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of a ton.

7 SOLID WASTE -- Solid waste shall be defined as that term is defined in § 109-1 of the  
8 Harford County Code.

9 B. Solid waste disposal fee. The following vehicles shall be charged the specified  
10 solid waste disposal fee and shall not be required to be weighed in at the weigh scales:

11 (1) [Automobile and/or multipurpose passenger vehicle -- two dollars (\$2.00).]  
12 AUTOMOBILES, SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES AND VANS WITH MULTI-PURPOSE  
13 VEHICLE TAGS AND VANS WITHOUT MULTI-PURPOSE VEHICLE TAGS WITH SEATS  
14 BEHIND THE DRIVER SEAT -- \$3.

15 (2) [Small pick-up truck, large pick-up truck, or small closed van -- four dollars  
16 (\$4.00).] SMALL PICKUP TRUCK, LARGE PICKUP TRUCK OR SMALL CLOSED VAN  
17 WITH NO SEATS OR SEATS REMOVED BEHIND THE DRIVER SEAT -- \$5.

18 (3) [Pull-behind trailers not to exceed 5,000 pounds gross vehicle weight on  
19 private vehicles - four dollars (\$4.00)] SINGLE AXLE TRAILERS PULLED BEHIND  
20 PRIVATE VEHICLES -- \$5. ALL OTHER TYPES OF TRAILERS AND COMMERCIAL  
21 TRAILERS WILL BE WEIGHED ON THE SCALES.

22 C. [Fee for all other vehicles. All vehicles which cross the weigh scales shall pay a fee  
23 of thirty-five dollars (\$35.) per ton for all solid waste deposited at a county disposal facility. In

the event that the weigh scales at a county disposal facility are inoperable or because of a power loss cannot be utilized, vehicles shall pay the following fees:] FEES FOR ALL THE VEHICLES.

ALL VEHICLES WHICH CROSS THE WEIGH SCALES SHALL PAY A FEE OF \$42 PER TON FOR ALL SOLID WASTE DEPOSITED AT THE COUNTY DISPOSAL FACILITY, WITH A MINIMUM FEE OF \$10. ADDITIONALLY, VEHICLES HAULING CONTAMINATED OR REJECTED RECYCLED MATERIALS WILL BE CHARGED \$42 PER TON AND AN ADDITIONAL UNAUTHORIZED LOAD FEE WILL BE CHARGED \$50 PER TON. IN THE EVENT THAT THE WEIGH SCALES AT A COUNTY DISPOSAL FACILITY ARE INOPERABLE OR BECAUSE OF A POWER LOSS CANNOT BE UTILIZED, VEHICLES SHALL PAY THE FOLLOWING FEES:

- (1) Large closed van - [thirty-five dollars (\$35.)] \$42.
- (2) Two-axle dump truck - [one hundred five dollars (\$105.)] \$126.
- (3) Three-axle dump truck - [six hundred sixty-five dollars (\$665.)] \$252.
- (4) Two-axle stake/open body/trailer dump - [one hundred five dollars (\$105.)] \$126.
- (5) Three-axle stake/open body/trailer dump - [six hundred sixty-five dollars (\$665.)] \$252.
- (6) UNDER [Sixteen ([16])] cubic yard front/rear/side compactor - [two hundred eighty dollars (\$280.00)] \$240.
- (7) Sixteen [(16)] to [twenty-four ([24])] cubic yard front/rear/side compactor - [three hundred fifteen dollars (\$315.00)] \$300.
- (8) OVER [Twenty-four ([24])] cubic yard front/rear/side compactor - [four hundred twenty dollars (\$420.)] \$350.

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(9) Semi-trailer - [six hundred sixty-five dollars (\$665.)] \$798.

(10) Roll-off bed under [twenty-five (]25[)] cubic yards - [three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.)] \$210.

(11) Roll-off bed [twenty-five (]25[)] to [thirty-five (]35[)] cubic yards - [three hundred eighty-five dollars (\$385.)] \$240.

(12) Roll-off bed [thirty-five (]35[)] cubic yards or larger - [four hundred twenty dollars (\$420.)] \$270.

(13) RELOADING REJECTED WASTE -- \$100.

D. Out-of-county waste. The following fee shall be charged for deposit of out-of-county solid waste:

(1) Permitted out-of-county solid waste - [one hundred dollars (\$100.)] \$125 per ton.

(2) Unpermitted out-of-county solid waste - [two hundred dollars (\$200.)] \$250 per ton.

E. FEES FOR COMPOST AND MULCH.

(1) THE FOLLOWING FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE SALE OF:

(a) MULCH (PER EACH CUBIC YARD) -- \$10.

(b) COMPOST (PER EACH CUBIC YARD) -- \$10.

(2) HARFORD COUNTY CITIZENS WILL BE ALLOWED THREE 30-GALLON CONTAINERS OR BAGS OF COMPOST OR MULCH FREE OF CHARGE.

F. FEES FOR TIRE DISPOSAL. THE FOLLOWING FEES WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE DISPOSAL OF TIRES (PRIVATE VEHICLES):

(1) FIVE TIRES OR LESS PER YEAR - NO CHARGE.

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1 (2) SCRAP TIRES UP TO 17 INCH SIZE (OVER 5 TIRES) -- \$.50 EACH.

2 (3) SCRAP TIRES OVER 17 INCH SIZE (OVER 5 TIRES) -- \$2 EACH.

3 (4) EQUIPMENT TIRES (MUST BE CUT INTO QUARTERS) -- \$10 EACH.

4 (5) SCRAP TIRES ON RIMS UP TO 17 INCH SIZE -- \$2 EACH.

5 (6) SCRAP TIRES ON RIMS OVER 17 INCH SIZE -- \$4 EACH.

6 G. INTEREST FEES. DELINQUENT INVOICES SHALL BEAR INTEREST AT  
7 THE SAME RATE AS ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND MAINTAINED  
8 AT A RATE CONSISTENT WITH § 123-27 OF THE HARFORD COUNTY CODE. THE  
9 RATE OF INTEREST SHALL BE ASSESSED ON BILLS THAT ARE PAST DUE BY 30  
10 DAYS.

11 **§ 157-29. Public swimming pool and spa permit.**

12 The Health Department may charge an annual fee of [\$100] \$200 for the inspection and  
13 permit of a public swimming pool or spa.

14 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted that this Act shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date  
15 it becomes law.

EFFECTIVE: July 21, 2000

*The Council Administrator does hereby certify that  
fifteen (15) copies of this Bill are immediately available for  
distribution to the public and the press.*

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Council Administrator

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